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Re: New U.S. Patent Application

Title: APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR READING
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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-referenced patent application.

1. Application - 71 pages, including 14 independent claims and 113 claims total.
2. Drawings - 35 sheets of informal drawings (Figs. 1 - 26).
3. A check for \$3,222.00 representing a \$690.00 filing fee, and \$2,532.00 for additional claims.

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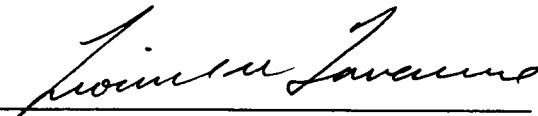
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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